

REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 24-30, and 32-50 remain pending in the application. It is proposed to amend the specification without introduction of new matter. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

In order to reduce the number of issues on Appeal, this is a partial response to the outstanding Final Office Action.

The Office objected to the specification on the grounds that the specification does not provide antecedent basis for a number of limitations added to claims 1, 7, 19, 28, 36, and 44 in Applicant's last-filed Amendment. In response to the objection, the specification has been amended to provide antecedent basis for terminology used to describe elements/steps in the claims, which elements/steps were already supported by the originally- filed application. (See, e.g., Figs.1-3 and the supporting text spanning page 3 line, 19 through page 8, line 28 of the originally-filed application.)

It is believed that these amendments address all of the Office's concerns except for one, namely, the concern that "... the specification does not provide antecedent basis for the added limitation '*a computer including: ... a mobile communication device including a cryptographic module*', claimed within the amended claim 36." In response to this objection, it is noted with all due respect that the Office has erred in parsing the claim. As amended, claim 36 does not define the computer as including a mobile communication device. Rather, claim 36 defines "A system ...comprising: a computer; and a mobile communication device." That is, the claimed system comprises two distinct elements (i.e., the computer and the mobile communication device) which are separate from one another. The specification is replete with support for this arrangement. (See, e.g., Fig. 1.) Consequently, no further amendment to the specification is believed to be necessary to address the Office's concern.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

Claims 1-19, 28-30, and 32-46 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. This rejection appears to be based on the lack of antecedent basis cited above with respect to the objection to the specification. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

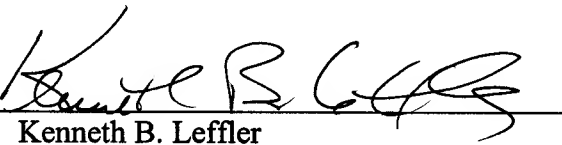
It is well-established that the invention claimed does not have to be described in *ipsis verbis* in order to satisfy the description requirement of Section 112. See, e.g., *In re Wright*,

866 F.2d 422, 9 U.S.P.Q.2d 1649 (Fed. Cir. 1989). As the specification already provided support for the features added to the claims, it is believed that the rejection is made in error. Nonetheless, in view of the amendments made above, it is further believed that the Office's concerns have been addressed. Consequently, it is respectfully requested that the amendments be entered, and the rejection of claims 1-19, 28-30, and 32-46 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph be withdrawn, thereby reducing the number of issues on appeal.

The claims variously stand rejected under either 35 U.S.C. §102(b) or 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Applicant intends to address these issues on appeal.

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